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1. In January or February 1953, while on the SS FRIEDRICH ENGELS, then undergoing sea trials off the Constanta shore, the watch officer, second officer Faustin CARP, and his helmsman reported spotting a large, projectile-shaped object; it emitted dark smoke, flew east to west at a rapid speed, and fell into the Black Sea about four miles from the ENGELS. The watch officer took a fix of the point of impact and the ENGELS began a search for wreckage as it was first believed that the object was a fast traveling aircraft. No traces of debris were found. The point of impact was about 12 miles southeast of Constanta and 6-8 miles east of Cape Tuzla \angle N 43-59, E 28-407. CARP reported that the object had a dark color, flew on a horizontal, until it suddenly dived or fell into the sea. The object was too far away and had traveled too fast to observe fins or wings; CARP did not believe that it looked like a V-1. He heard no explosion and reported that the object had flown noiselessly. No one except CARP and the helmsman saw the object. The incident was reported to the authorities in Constanta; three high ranking Rumanian naval officers, believed to be stationed in Constanta, interviewed CARP and the helmsman and then sent two or three trawlers to conduct a search of the area, using deep sea diving apparatus for about 10-14 days. [redacted] the only thing the divers found was the hull of a ship sunk in World War II. No further information.

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2. In spring 1953. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] Teodor (Toni) NICA, who had studied at the University of Bucharest, where he had been an excellent student. NICA later transferred to the Electrotechnical Faculty of the Bucharest Polytechnic Institute [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] At the Polytechnic Institute he specialized in low-voltage apparatus and was known to have built a remote-controlled toy boat. [REDACTED]

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